



SUNDAY 31st AUGUST 2025

ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY 10.00am PARISH EUCHARIST

TUESDAY 2nd SEPTEMBER

10.00am SAID EUCHARIST

followed by refreshments and 'Open Church' until 12noon

WEDNESDAY 3rd SEPTEMBER 1.30pm JULIAN MEETING

Come and join us for quiet meditative prayer in the silence of our church



SUNDAY 7th SEPTEMBER 2025

TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY 10.00am PARISH EUCHARIST

TUESDAY 9th SEPTEMBER

10.00am SAID EUCHARIST

followed by refreshments and 'Open Church' until 12noon



SUNDAY'S READINGS

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. Let marriage be held in honour by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, 'I will never leave you or forsake you.' So we can say with confidence, 'The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can anyone do to me?' Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and for ever.

Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely.

When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honour, he told them a parable. 'When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honour, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, "Give this person your place," and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, "Friend, move up higher"; then you will be honoured in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.'

He said also to the one who had invited him, 'When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbours, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ

Luke 14:1, 7-14



FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Our prayer-partner Parish:

St Katherine's Church, Kingsdale in Matabeleland, Zimbabwe.

For reconciliation and peace throughout the world.

For those countries, world-wide, affected by violence, war, discrimination, prejudice or conflict, or by natural disaster.

For peacemakers, and all who work in the emergency services and relief agencies.

Those who are sick or in need:

Lisa Morris, Jason Davis, Jolliboy Coker, Elizabeth Cheshire, Mary Phillips, Carol Lawrence, Anna Anbu, Gary Giles, Sukhi Kaur, Victor Attfield.

For all who mourn, the unnamed who need our prayers, and those in our Intercessions Book.

The Departed:

those who have recently died:
 Christine Kelly, Assumpta Oturu,
 Andrew Addy, Joyce Joko-John

Years' Mind:

We remember all those whose Year's Mind falls at this time.

Roger Bryce (31st Aug), Ilvia van Wyk (6th Sept)
We give thanks for their lives, their love,
and their example.

★ Rest eternal, grant them, O Lord;
and let light perpetual shine upon them.

Lord, in your mercy: hear our prayer!

COLLECT FOR THIS WEEK

God of glory,
the end of our searching,
help us to lay aside
all that prevents us
from seeking your kingdom,
and to give all that we have
to gain the
pearl beyond all price,
through our Lord and Saviour
Jesus Christ.
AMEN

THE WEEKLY PRAYER LIST

Our prayer list (intended for <u>acute</u> situations of need) had recently become very lengthy, and some names which have been on for some time have been moved to the 'chronic' list in the new Intercessions Book on the High Altar.

A PRAYER FOR THIS WEEK

Loving God,
we ask for the wisdom and strength
to be good stewards of this earth,
to protect its resources,
and to live in harmony with nature.
May our actions this summer
reflect our gratitude for your creation.

AMEN

The new copy of The Bridge is out. You can read and download it from southwark.anglican.org/thebridge



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SumUp

If you would like to make a donation to Mitcham Parish Church, this QR code will take you straight to our SumUp giving system.



FLOWERS IN CHURCH

by PAUL & SANDRA BARRY
in celebration of their

45th Wedding Anniversary

The flowers we place in church (except during Advent & Lent) may be sponsored: in memory of a loved one, in thanksgiving, or for any other celebratory reason.

To sponsor the flowers please speak to Lin Matthews Tel: 020 8646 3390



We wish a very



to <u>all</u> whose birthday is today or during this coming week!

Is your birthday coming up soon?

Do let the Parish Office / Clergy know, if you don't think you are on our List!

SUNDAYS: CHURCH STAFFING ROTA

If you are unable to do the dates given, please let Fr David know - AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. Please phone Fr David: (020 8646 0666).

Thank you for being a team member & helping our church run so smoothly!

Fr David

Sunday 3 Ist August 10.00am

Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

Welcomers Mercy Antwi

Mavis Bennett

Grace Morah

Children Corner Gill Campbell

Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16 David Coggins

Luke 14:1, 7-14

Clergy

Intercessor Josie Dixie Euch. Asst. Bamidele Afolabi

> Sandra Barry Patricia Benjamin

[No counting]

Refreshments

Sunday 21st September

Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

Mercy Antwi Welcomers

Mavis Bennett

Grace Morah

Children Corner Chico Chamwaita

1 Timothy 2:1-7 Margaret Danquah

Luke 16:1-13 Clergy

Intercessor Josie Dixie Euch. Asst. Lin Matthews

Refreshm'ts Sandra Barry

Patricia Benjamin

Counters Nneka Belonwu

Lin Matthews

Sunday 7th September 10.00am

Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

Welcomers Sam Lyons

Alan Reece

Children Corner Diana Burrows Philemon 1-21 Paul Carter

Luke 14:25-33

Clergy

Rev'd Jackie Intercessor Ebele Belonwu Euch. Asst. Grace Morah

Refreshments

Esther Odum

Doris Maduforo

Counters

Kat Chandler

Prince Swaray

Sunday 28th September

Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

Welcomers Sam Lyons

Alan Reece

Children Corner Gill Campbell

1 Timothy 6:6-19 Jim Kirby

Luke 16:19-31 Clergy

Intercessor David Coggins (set) Euch. Asst. Ebele Belonwu Refreshments Grace Morah

Esther Odum

Doris Maduforo

[No counting]

Sunday 14th September 10.00am

Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Welcomers Barbara Jones

Carole Hornsby

Children Corner Val Hylton

1 Timothy 1:12-17 Diana Burrows

Luke 15:1-10 Clergy

Intercessor Mary Coggins Robert Willer Euch. Asst. Refreshments Helena Vagnolini

Greg Vagnolini

[No counting]

Sunday 5th October 10.00am

16th Sunday after Trinity / HARVEST

Welcomers **Barbara Jones**

Val Hylton

Micheline Ravololonarisoa

Children Corner Diana Burrows

2 Timothy 1:1-14 Barbara Jones

Luke 17:5-10 Clergy

Intercessor **Andrew King** Euch. Asst. Bamidele Afolabi

Refreshm'ts Helena Vagnolini

Greg Vagnolini

Counters Carole Hornsby

David Coggins



HARVEST FESTIVAL

SUNDAY 5TH OCTOBER 10.00AM HARVEST EUCHARIST



ALL GOOD GIFTS AROUND US...

WE ARE COLLECTING DRY GOODS—
TINS, PACKETS, TOILETRIES ETC.
FOR THE **FAITH-IN-ACTION**DROP-IN PROJECT IN KINGSTON ROADFOR THE HOMELESS, LONELY
AND POORLY HOUSED.





The RIDE & STRIDE cycle-ride 2025!

On an annual basis, we are asked to join the Surrey Churches Preservation Trust in their fundraising effort.

Our intrepid team of cyclists, with organiser Prince Swaray, are cycling on Saturday 13 September this year, pedalling around historic local churches.

Speak to Prince if you would like to join them.

Meeting in the Parish Centre car park at 10.00am

Please support this worthy cause with your sponsorship; half of the funds raised return to Mitcham Parish Church!



Kingston Area Lay Conference: Confident Faith in a Changing World

Keynote Speaker: Archbishop Rowan Williams:

"Can we recover that revolutionary confidence in God so that the living waters that Christ promises us may rise and we with them"?

Bishop Martin warmly invites all the lay people in the Kingston Area to attend this special day.

Coffee, tea and lunch will be provided alongside workshops exploring confident faith in relationship to different topics. Prayer spaces will be available, as will a market hall during lunch. Activities for primary aged school children will be led by Kick London for those that have completed this section of the registration form.

Join us on SATURDAY 20th SEPTEMBER from 9.30-4pm at

St Cecilia's Church of England School, Sutherland Grove, SW18 5JR. From Southfields Tube 5 minutes walk Buses 39, 493, 170 and 156

There is no charge to attend this conference, though we are asking those that can to donate £5-10 on the day.

This conference is for all who attend our churches in the Kingston Area, those who are in identified forms of lay ministry and those who are not. Places for workshops are limited to 20 so book now to avoid disappointment.

- 9.30 10.15 Sign in & confirmation of workshop sessions, tea and coffee available
- 10.00 10.15 Sign in children for activities with Kick London
- 10.15 10.35 Welcome and info on day, opening reflection and prayer
- 10.45 11.40 Workshop one (55 mins)
- 11.50 12.45 Workshop two (55 mins)
- 12.45 1.45 Lunch with prayer space and market hall
- 1.45 2.30 Archbishop Rowan Williams talk
- 2.30 3.15 Panel conversation with Rowan Williams, which reflects on questions and insights on confident faith from the workshops
- 3.15 3.45 Closing worship and prayers

If you would like to attend this free conference day, please let Fr David or Sara - our administrator - know, who will send you the link to sign in.

Black History Month







"Who do you say that I am?"

Matthew 16:15







A celebration of identity and belonging

Join this year's diocesan Black History Month Thanksgiving Service for an exciting day of fellowship, learning and celebration.

Saturday 4 October 2025, 10.30am–1.30pm Southwark Cathedral, SE1 9DA





Scan code to register for a free ticket. SOUTHWARK • CATHEDRAL •